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KIWIS' GOOD TOUR START

New Zealand began its four-match World Cup safari through South-East Asia by trouncing Fiji 4-0 in Nadi last Sunday.

The Kiwis, giving an impressive display, ran to a 3-0 halftime lead on a rain-affected pitch.

In the second half the reorganised Fijian defence stood its ground better and kept the New Zealand strikers at bay.

Three of the New Zealand goals were scored by Brian Turner who, amazingly, hasn't been able to get a single goal this season for his PSL club, Wollongong.

On Thursday New Zealand will play Taiwan at Taipei and the following Wednesday Indonesia at Jakarta, before facing the Socceroos again in Sydney on May 16.

ENGLISH REF FOR NEW ZEALAND TIE

National coach Rudi Gutendorf was waiting until the last minute of his Wednesday deadline before announcing his squad for the match against New Zealand.

Regulations demand that the squad of 22 be named at least 10 days before the match.

Gutendorf this week spent some days in Townsville with the Youth team, having gone there from Fiji on Monday.

ASF secretary Brian Le Fevre said he was certain that Gutendorf would opt for the full squad of 22 players.

The Socceroos enter their training camp — Camperdown Travelodge — on Monday and will stay together until after the match on Saturday week.

They will train twice a day, most probably at the Sydney University Oval.

Le Fevre said he ex-

pected a crowd of about 20,000 at the Sydney Cricket Ground next week for the New Zealand clash.

"If the New Zealanders come here with four wins under their belt

from their Asian tour, the crowd could be even higher," he said.

Tickets go on sale for the match this week.

An Englishman and a Portuguese will be in charge of the two critical World Cup matches for

Australia this month.

George Courtney of England will referee the match against New Zealand and V. Gracia Oliva of Portugal will be in charge of the match against Indonesia.

Au Chi Shing will be one of the linesmen at both games.

Courtney and Oliva will be on the line also in the game they don't referee.

The FIFA inspector at the matches will be Fernando Alvarez from The Philippines.



Tony Boskovic, who will be the standby linesman for the New Zealand match in Sydney.

KUWAIT THE THIRD

Kuwait, by beating South Korea 2-0, has won its World Cup elimination group, staged in Kuwait.

With that, matches in three of the four zones have now concluded, the winners being China, Saudi Arabia and Kuwait.

The fourth spot will go to the winner of Australia's Oceania Group.

Newcastle seeks a new castle

Newcastle is considering the drastic move of quitting the International Sports Centre.

Manager Alan Vest said this week that a decision would be made within a few days.

"We have to admit free all the members to our games and we also have to pay 28 percent from our gate takings.

"It's crippling the club. We have nothing else at the ground, such as franchises.

"What many people don't understand is that we have been struggling financially from the day we entered the Philips League.

"It's clear that we have to get our own licenced club going or there will be even bigger troubles..."

Vest said he simply had no budget at all for the team.

"I couldn't ask for a penny for a new player.

"It's hard to believe but as an average, I had only \$25,000 a year to put a team on the park — and that includes transfers, signing on fees and airfares, everything except wages.

• Newcastle's bid for a social club — page 4.

GOAL AFTER 57 SECONDS



John Kosmina rises high to head home Sydney City's first goal last Sunday — in the first minute.

CAPTAIN STAY-PUT

Murray Barnes is certain to retain his place in the Australian team as well as his captaincy for the New Zealand return match in Sydney on May 16.

Despite his disappointing display in Auckland, Barnes enjoys the full confidence of coach Rudi Gutendorf.

"I have heard that Barnes was outstanding against Newcastle on Sunday, while I was in Fiji.

"Two goals from a midfielder is what every team dreams about."

Gutendorf scotched reports that he felt any animosity towards Barnes because of his "airport" interview last December when he was almost goaded into tipping the bucket on his coach.

"That's all over now", says Gutendorf.



Barnes: survivor of a storm.

INSIDE:



• WORLD CUP

How did the picture change in the European groups after last week's "World Cup Wednesday?" — all the latest tables, details, PAGE 2.

• PSL FACTS

The Philips League will have a full round, the same as it did last week; all the match reports, tables, scorers, program and club news, PAGES 3, 4, 5, 6 & 7.

• NSW SCENE

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• PRESSBOX

Everybody is recommending everybody else for the Socceroo team. Read "Pressbox" for suggestions from our own sources. PAGE 12.

INTERNATIONAL NEWS

France scored three times in 18 minutes in the first half — including

In Chorzow, Poland accounted for East Germany, winning 1-0.


None until September.June 3 Denmark v Italy

June 3	Sweden v Nth. Ireland
June 24	Sweden v Portugal

Games to come: none until October.

• The Sao Paulo, Brazil, magazine "Placar" has polled 70 journalists around the world to find the "Dream Team" since the war and came up with this 11: Yachine — D. Santos, Moore, Beckenbauer, N. Santos — Charlton, Cruyff — Garrincha, Di Stefano, Puskas.

Nottingham manager Brian Clough: "I have been with chairmen who have been jealous of the cash they have had to pay me because of my success. "I have worked for different directors who have handed over 4,000 quid reluctantly when I have earned it. "I have never felt like that, and I would love everybody to have a Rolls-Royce, good schools for their children, a turkey, a Christmas stocking. "But I know there are people who have Rolls-Royces who don't want anyone else to have one, and I know people who live in big houses and don't want anyone else to have a big house."



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PHILIPS

Memories of great clashes of the past will keep flooding back on Sunday when Sydney City visit Lambert Park to meet Leichhardt.

The many classic confrontations of Hakoah and APIA in the 1960s and 1970s will be re-enacted in what could be a stirring match.

Leichhardt are battling on gamely, without setting the world on fire but their wing pair of O'Connor and Giampaolo is capable of extraordinary deeds.

And they'll need some if they strike the Slickers in their peak form.

Last Sunday Sydney City were most impressive, at times

Djordjevic is fit to make his return.

Marconi have a host of injuries to key players and this makes it difficult for them to get out of their slump.

Don't expect for a moment that Blacktown will approach the match in a defensive state of mind: Rale Rasic would dearly like to deliver a shock or two to his former club.

Our tip: 1-1.
At Wollongong, two high-riding teams come to grips with Brisbane City anxious to stay near the top.

The Wolves' win in Adelaide will command a lot of respect and should also produce a large

Newcastle won't have an easy afternoon against Canberra.

Hard hit by injuries and without midfielder Sumner away with the Kiwis, Newcastle seem to be a bit too thin in talent at the moment.

Still, Alan Vest is certain to mend his team's defensive lapses which cost them four goals last week.

Canberra last year romped home with a splendid 4-0 win in a corresponding match and their attack is explosive enough to do a repeat performance, if given the room.

Our tip: Canberra 2-0.
Sydney Olympic's whirlwind attack against

the many chances created must start to worry South Melbourne coach John Margaritis.

Their stay at the top of the table is at stake now against Adelaide City, stung by yet another unexpected home defeat.

This will be a stylish clash between two excellent teams full of skilful players.

At home, South Melbourne have yet to suffer a defeat this season and Margaritis pledged not to suffer any in 1981.

But Adelaide City could be the team to do the trick if they really click.

Our tip: 2-2 draw.



The controversial first goal of Sydney City last Sunday: Newcastle goalkeeper Dando on the ground after having scrambled the ball clear — from behind the line, according to referee Henry Witschge.



Moments after the "save" of Dando with the referee, perfectly positioned, pointing towards the centre circle.

brilliant and a similar performance should give them the edge.

Our tip: Sydney City 2-1.

At Gabbie Stadium, memories of a different kind will be revived when Blacktown face Marconi.

Last year the then newcomers handed out a mighty 5-1 beating to Marconi, something which is most unlikely to be repeated.

Still, Blacktown can not be underestimated, especially if the ailing

crowd at the Showground.

Amazingly, the Wolves have not felt the absence of their Kiwi strikers Campbell and Turner, with young Fontana grabbing his chance and getting among the goals.

Brisbane City can be very dangerous opponents, mounting rapid counter-attacks engineered by their solid midfield.

Our tip: Wollongong 2-1.
Down in the dumps,

the brilliant Lions defence at Richlands will produce some exciting moments.

The talented but erratic Olympic youngsters can be a resourceful lot if engaged in an open warfare — something Lions would never do.

Millman is the danger man for Lions and the Olympic defence will have to be alert not to be caught by some sudden counter-punches.

So far this season Olympic have failed to win a single point in an away match; however, they have never lost to Lions in Brisbane in the past. Which "tradition" will suffer a dent now?

Our tip: Lions 1-0.

West Adelaide's motto soon will be a "stop laughing, this is serious."

Last on the table and struggling badly, they could again finish in the relegation zone and cannot expect to be voted back into the PSL for the second time.

Against Preston, they will have a most difficult task.

The Melbourne newcomers have a lot of ability and are very capably led by the veteran Ollerton.

Our tip: Preston 2-1.
Erratic finishing off

Footscray have yet to beat Heidelberg in a home match and their outlooks aren't the best.

They did stonewall their way to a valuable draw in Sydney last week but it was against an inexperienced Olympic.

Heidelberg will be a different proposition, especially now that Jamie Paton is back in business.

Last year's Grand Final winners are still too good a team to

languish near the bottom of the table and should start climbing up towards a more respectable spot.

Our tip: Heidelberg 3-1.

• George Potter, Brisbane City:
"Thoroughly disgusted with the performance. We had 80 percent of the play and could not score a goal. That is just not good enough. Despite Woodhouse's heroics there were times when he should not have been given any chance."

• Willie Wallace, Leichhardt: "I am very happy with the point. Brisbane City are playing much better than when I saw them last, and with Mark Pullen going off so early I was more than worried, even with Hughes doing well, on the day City should have knocked in a few."

CONGRATULATIONS TO:

Robert O'Shea (Canberra)
on having played his 100th PSL match last weekend.



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7 LEICHHARDT	10	3	5	2	11	11	—	11	4	1	3	—	5	4	5	6	2	2	2	6	7	6
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14 BLACKTOWN	10	1	5	4	13	20	—7	7	4	—	2	2	5	10	2	6	1	3	2	8	10	5
15 FOOTSCRAY	11	2	2	7	7	21	—14	6	5	2	1	2	6	6	5	8	—	1	5	1	15	1
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TEAM OF ROUND 11

WILLIS (W'gong)	BLAIR (Sth.Melb.)	HERMISTON (Lions)	TANSEY (Heidelberg)
CHRISTOPOULOS (Sth.Melb.)	SOUNESS (Syd.City)	McBREEN (W'gong)	
WATSON (Syd.City)	COLE (Heidelberg)	BURROWS (Blacktown)	

WOODHOUSE
(Leichhardt)

THIS WAS THE WEEK THAT WAS

• Agenor Muniz, the Sydney City midfielder, has a torn knee ligament and may miss a few weeks of soccer.

• Col Curran, ex-Newcastle's Socceroo fullback has broken down again and is unlikely to play in 1981.

• A furious Rafe Rasic: "The result was a robbery. Wherever we go we are treated badly by referees. Harry Williams should have been sent off by the referee for abusing a linesman."

• A subdued George Murray: "This game was disappointing fare and a bad football match. Neither side was able to string passes together. Our style of soccer which has taken us to the top was missing."

• Adelaide Giants coach Bob D'Ottavi was good humored despite his team's loss to Wollongong last Sunday. "It's just that we can't play in front of television cameras," he quipped.

• Wollongong Wolves coach, Ken Morton: "No doubt about it, he will be dropped from next week's team," said Morton when asked what action would be taken against the player who missed the last minute sitter. "But, you never know, he may come on again as a substitute and perhaps next time, slot one away." Footnote: The player under discussion was Ken Morton...

• Adelaide Giants have signed former SA squad goalkeeper Jack Przybylski from Adelaide Croatia as second string custodian to Peter Marshall. Adelaide-born Przybylski was understudy to ex-Australian international Roger Romanowicz at Polonia before joining Port Adelaide and then Croatia.

• Westad Hawks have reversed an earlier decision not to sign former West Bromwich Albion and Sheffield Wednesday professional Colin Gregson.

Now faced with relegation for the second successive year, Westad will muster the finances needed to bring the talented midfielder to Australia. Westad are hoping Gregson, 23, will be here in three weeks, but after the long wait they had for Jimmy Wright and are still having for Neville Flounders, they are not holding their breath.

• Neil McGachey who captained Westad to their 1978 Philips League championship triumph, has asked for a transfer to a Rothmans League club saying he can no longer meet the demands of PSL training schedules and travel.

• South Melbourne this week announced their new sponsor, Barbaresco Ouzo, marketed by the famous Remy distillers.

Eddie Thomson, the Sydney City coach, said last Sunday's was his team's best performance for two years.

"We were moving off the ball and we made spaces all the time," he said.

"Against Lions we passed the ball and stood there; now there was constant movement in the team."

Thomson said he was delighted with Ian Souness' great display. "Ian played exactly like in the first year when he came to us."

"He is attacking people, shutting opponents down; he controlled the game for us from midfield."

Thomson also kept some praise for Murray Barnes' good performance which included two goals.

"Barnes has a huge heart, perhaps the biggest heart in Australian soccer," he said.

"He's a born fighter and in this match I knew he'd fight back."

PHILIPS LEAGUE 1981	ADELAIDE GIANTS	ADELAIDE HAWKS	BLACKTOWN DEMONS	BRISBANE GLADIATORS	BRISBANE LIONS	CANBERRA ARROWS	FOOTSCRAY EAGLES	HEIDELBERG WARRIORS	LEICHHARDT STRIKERS	MARCONI LEOPARDS	MELBOURNE GUNNERS	NEWCASTLE KB	PRESTON RAMS	SYDNEY OLYMPIANS	SYDNEY SLICKERS	WOLLONGONG WOLVES
ADELAIDE GIANTS	*				3-2			3-1		0-1		4-1			0-1	1-2
ADELAIDE HAWKS		*	2-0						1-2			0-1				0-0
BLACKTOWN DEMONS	1-5		*		2-2				0-1		2-2					
BRISBANE GLADIATORS		2-1		*		0-0	2-0		0-0					3-0		
BRISBANE LIONS				1-0	*	1-0						0-1	2-1			1-1
CANBERRA ARROWS	0-0	1-2	2-2			*	5-0							2-1	2-0	
FOOTSCRAY EAGLES	1-1						*		2-1	1-2	1-2				1-0	
HEIDELBERG WARRIORS		2-0		2-0		1-1		*					2-3	1-0		0-3
LEICHHARDT STRIKERS					0-0			2-2	*		1-1	2-1				
MARCONI LEOPARDS		1-0		1-1	2-1	0-2		3-1		*			1-0			
MELBOURNE GUNNERS					1-0			2-1		1-0	*	2-0				1-0
NEWCASTLE KB			1-1	0-2			3-0					*	4-0			1-1
PRESTON RAMS			2-3			0-1	3-0		3-1		1-1		*	3-1		
SYDNEY OLYMPIANS	3-1	3-1					0-0			2-0	2-2			*	2-2	
SYDNEY SLICKERS		1-0		1-1	1-1			1-0		5-0		4-1			*	
WOLLONGONG WOLVES			1-1				2-1		1-1				2-2	3-1		*

SPIDER'S NET

With Allan Maher

We certainly copped some flak ever since the Auckland game.

Radio, newspaper and TV critics all jumped on the bandwagon and even our leader Sir Arthur George offered advice, but not one of the criticisms really hit the nail on the head as to the real problem.

One journalist in particular went to a lot of trouble to recommend four team changes and three positional changes in "his" team for the return game.

Instead of criticising, he should stick to reporting match venues and kick-off times...

Murray Barnes has been rather harshly treated in the past 10 days or so.

It's at times like these that I wish we had a Players' Association to offer support to our captain.

The PSL administration has done it again, on the suspension of our young stopper Steve Calderon.

Steve was sent off in last week's Cup tie against Melita and also picked up his fourth yellow card.

But his three previous yellow cards were accumulated in the Youth League.

Now it's where the matter becomes complicated.

The PSL advised Marconi that Calderon had to serve a two-week suspension.

So Steve sat out last Sunday's Youth League game as well as the Brisbane Lions match on the same day.

And by right, he should be entitled to play in tonight's second round Philips Cup match.

But the PSL said no. What I'd like to know is why?

If it's OK to pick up penalty points in the Youth League, it should be good enough to serve a suspension in it, too.

A piece of useful (?) trivia for those interested: Marconi's last two games were played with a junior sized soccer ball, which is under size and weight for first class soccer.

Umbro bring out two Size-5 soccer balls on the market. One is the Umbro International, recommended for the PSL games.

The other is what they call a Size-5 "Match" which is smaller in size and weight, recommended for youth league games for 14s, 15s and 16s.

Admittedly the ball was provided by our own club but the referees should pick this up.

I stopped the game in both matches and told the referee but I was told to stop complaining. "It's the same for the other team, too."

Marconi will now make sure that the "right" ball will be used in future games.

Trust in Trust?

— By Myles Hay

Newcastle

Despite a series of disappointing results on the field, Newcastle KB Raiders took a giant step towards solvency with the formation of the Social Club last week.

The aims of this body are to formulate plans for the establishment of a licenced club and though plans are still in their infancy with the election of the foundation directors, it would appear that Newcastle's chances of survival depend largely on the success of this venture in the years ahead.

Already this season budgeted crowds have dissipated in an alarming fashion together with a rift in the relationship with the Trustees of the International Sports Centre.

A meeting is to be held with this body in an effort to secure a better financial deal.

Back in 1978 when Newcastle United came into being and arranged to play their home games at the International Sports Centre, the licenced club situated at the ground was struggling.

But the amazing response to the Philips Soccer League matches by the Newcastle public saw the club reach unexpected heights in profitability, mainly due to soccer.

This has continued undiminished since and it is hoped a meeting between the two bodies will

bring some common sense into the situation which has "got out of hand" with local rugby league minded columnists appearing to take great delight stirring up trouble for the soccer club.

President of the ISC Trust Dr. Alan Hoyle is said to have made comments on the Newcastle United request as being both "imprudent and impudent" and that the Trust would not be "bludgeoned or intimidated by any outrageous demands" — these are strong, fighting words.

Secretary of Newcastle United, Paul Trisley, has said that his club has been striving without success since 1979, to arrange a meeting with the Trustees.

The local television station advised the club that to obtain free advertising and coverage a switch from Saturday to Sunday would be necessary — this was duly done but without crowd increase and certainly without a lift in TV advertising.

The club should, before blaming the Newcastle public's lack of loyalty, look carefully at that aspect of its planning.

• Ian Buckley, the stylish Newcastle winger, had his cartilage removed this week and will be out of action for at least eight weeks.

• Murray Barnes was exuberant after last Sunday's match against Newcastle. "I wanted to answer my critics on the field and I did," he said with a grin.

• Cedo Cerkovic: "I was very pleased with the draw. When you are on the bottom one away point is worth two. Our confidence is returning and with a full side we will start to move up the ladder. I'm expecting Zdravko Lujic back from Yugoslavia to strengthen our team."

• Tommy Docherty, Olympic: "I am bitterly disappointed with Footscray's attitude. They didn't want to make a contest out of it and the paying public deserve their money back. No wonder soccer in Australia isn't going ahead if teams are as negative as Footscray."

• Jimmy Rooney, player-coach with Heidelberg United, was happy to see a return to form last Sunday against West Adelaide. "There is still plenty to do to raise the standard, but it should be easier in future."

• Billy Birch, coach of West Adelaide, would like to see his players getting the results which will come when they put stronger efforts in for the whole 90 minutes.

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WEEKEND GUIDE TO PHILIPS LEAGUE



LEICHHARDT

Likely squad: 1. Woodhouse, 2. Skellern, 3. McAusland, 4. Pullen, 5. Wilson, 6. Coyne, 7. Soper, 8. Pirie, 9. Giampaolo, 10. Kafka, 11. O'Connor, 12. Harding, 13. Bradley, 14. Leyden, 15. McKie, 16. Morsello, 18. Gray, 20. Parks. Coach: W. Wallace.

Sunday, 3pm
Lambert Park

Next week: Canberra v Leichhardt



Watts

PAST RESULTS:

1979: Leichhardt v Sydney City 0-3
1980: Leichhardt v Sydney City 2-2



Boden

SYDNEY CITY

Likely squad: 1. Clarke, 2. Mullen, 3. Spanos, 4. O'Connor, 5. Bruce, 6. Murray, 7. Watson, 8. Barnes, 9. Boden, 10. Kosmina, 12. Cant, 14. Gomez, 15. Muniz, 16. Patikas, 18. Souness, 19. Trenter, 20. Pezzano. Coach: E. Thomson.

REFEREE: B. Mee
Linesmen: G. Power
A. Morrison

Next week: Sydney City v Wolves postponed

BLACKTOWN CITY

Likely squad: 1. James, 2. Wheatley, 3. Pollard, 4. Milovanovic, 5. Pointer, 6. Selva, 7. Djordjevic, 8. Hormazabal, 9. Cullina, 10. O'Donnell, 11. Manning, 12. Quarumby, 13. Cuk, 15. Wallace, 18. Milosevic, 20. Freeman. Coach: R. Rasic.

Sunday, 3pm
Gabbie Stadium

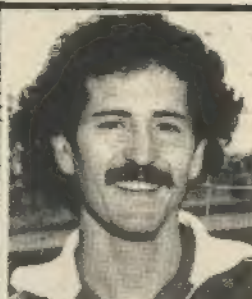
Next week: Olympic v Blacktown



Pointer

PAST RESULTS:

1980: Blacktown v Marconi 5-1



Mariani

MARCONI

Likely squad: 1. Maher, 2. Brogan, 4. Henderson, 5. Prskalo, 6. Byrne, 9. Krncevic, 10. Mariani, 11. Sharpe, 12. Picloane, 13. Muir, 14. Housseini, 16. Tomasich, 17. Coluso, 20. Corry. Coach: R. Blanco.

REFEREE: A. Boskovic
Linesmen: B. Wilkinson,
T. Williams

Next week: Marconi v Newcastle postponed

WOLLONGONG CITY

Likely squad: 1. Preston, 2. Willis, 4. Dunleavy, 5. Ainsworth, 6. Adam, 7. Smith, 8. Fleming, 9. Campbell, 10. Lathan, 11. Morlando, 12. Vliestra, 13. McBreen, 14. Turner, 15. De Graaf, 16. Tredinnick, 17. Harrison, 18. Morton, 19. Fontana. Coach: K. Morton.

Sunday, 3pm
Wollongong Showground

Next week: Sydney City v Wolves postponed



De Graaf

PAST RESULTS:

Wollongong and Brisbane City to meet for the first time.



Hamilton

BRISBANE CITY

Likely squad: 1. Wishart, 2. Dunne, 3. Ratcliffe, 4. Tokes, 5. Perry, 6. Gaffney, 7. Palinkas, 8. Pimblett, 9. Conner, 10. Low, 11. Caldwell, 14. Hamilton, 15. P. Wilkinson, 16. McVeigh, 17. B. Wilkinson, 20. Coe. Coach: G. Potter.

REFEREE: T. Davies
Linesmen: R. Barton
M. Loupis

Next week: Brisbane City v Sth. Melb. Postponed

BRISBANE LIONS

Likely squad: 1. Scanlan, 2. Ontong, 3. Niven, 4. Lindsay, 5. Bennett, 6. Hermiston, 7. Hogg, 8. McLean, 9. Ferris, 10. Millman, 11. McNaughton, 12. McGregor, 14. Ogden, 17. Wright, 18. Konstantinou, 19. Bryce, 20. Lowndes. Coach: M. Carson.

Sunday, 3pm
Richlands

Next week: Heidelberg v Lions



Bennett

PAST RESULTS:

1977: Lions v Olympic 0-2
1978: Lions v Olympic 1-2
1979: Lions v Olympic 0-0



Katholos

SYDNEY OLYMPIC

Likely squad: 1. Meier, 2. Moulis, 3. Cross, 4. Wilson, 5. Rowden, 6. Katholos, 7. Raskopoulos, 8. Cork, 9. Gavin, 10. Scott, 11. Jennings, 12. Ankudinoff, 13. Cotton, 14. Koussas, 15. Ziras, 16. Jamieson, 18. Laing, 20. Wilson. Coach: T. Docherty.

REFEREE: M. Miles
Linesmen: J. Nicholson,
W. Turkington

Next week: Olympic v Blacktown

NEWCASTLE UTD.

Likely squad: 1. Dando, 2. Reaney, 4. Senkalski, 5. Bertogna, 6. Drinkwater, 7. Sumner, 8. Mountford, 9. Jones, 10. Heys, 11. Buckley, 12. Mason, 13. Burrows, 14. Sneddon, 15. Curran, 16. Kamasz, 17. McClelland, 20. Gosling. Coach: A. Vest.

Sunday, 2.30pm
Sports Centre

Next week: Marconi v Newcastle postponed



Dando

PAST RESULTS:

1978: Newcastle v Canberra 3-0
1979: Newcastle v Canberra 0-2
1980: Newcastle v Canberra 0-4



Hoszowski

CANBERRA CITY

Likely squad: 1. Wilson, 2. M. O'Shea, 3. Williams, 4. Cole, 5. J. O'Shea, 6. Stark, 7. R. O'Shea, 8. Byrne, 9. Valeri, 10. McLaren, 11. Brennan, 12. Gibson, 13. Purdie, 14. Massa, 15. Moutsopoulos, 16. Farrell, 21. Hoszowski. Coach: G. Murray.

REFEREE: J. Reeves
Linesmen: J. Judd,
R. Warren

Next week: Canberra v Leichhardt

FOOTSCRAY

Likely squad: 1. Boland, 2. Hazabent, 3. Petrou, 4. Kyriakoulas, 5. Kondarios, 6. Jovanovic, 7. Simic, 8. Ilioski, 11. McLaughlin, 12. McIvor, 13. Petrou, 14. Belic, 15. Kakantonis, 16. Curovic, 17. Cozzella, 18. Milne. Coach: C. Cerkovic.

Sunday, 3pm
Schintler Reserve

Next week: Footscray v West Adelaide



Boland

PAST RESULTS:

1977: Footscray v Heidelberg 1-3
1978: Footscray v Heidelberg 1-2
1979: Footscray v Heidelberg 2-2
1980: Footscray v Heidelberg 0-2



Rooney

HEIDELBERG

Likely squad: 1. Oliver, 2. McMillan, 3. Tansey, 4. Yzendoorn, 6. Selemidis, 7. Rooney, 8. Campbell, 9. Paton, 11. Bozikas, 12. Yankos, 13. McGrory, 14. Provan, 15. Taylor, 16. Cole, 18. Monagle, 20. Reilly. Coach: J. Rooney.

REFEREE: C. Bambridge
Linesmen: S. Zoumas,
D. Fokianos

Next week: Heidelberg v Lions

STH. MELBOURNE

Likely squad: 1. Laumets, 2. V. Bannon, 3. Davidson, 4. Lutton, 5. Xanthopoulos, 6. Rogers, 7. Wright, 8. Christopoulos, 9. Cummings, 10. Evans, 11. Buljevic, 12. Kalafatidis, 14. Campbell, 15. Stevenson, 16. Shirra, 19. Blair, 20. Tsigaras. Coach: H. Margaritis.

Sunday, 3pm
Middle Park

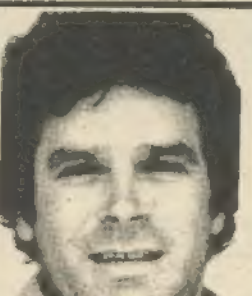
Next week: Brisbane City v Sth. Melb. postponed



Blair

PAST RESULTS:

1977: Sth. Melbourne v Adelaide City 0-0
1978: Sth. Melbourne v Adelaide City 5-0
1979: Sth. Melbourne v Adelaide City 1-0
1980: Sth. Melbourne v Adelaide City 2-1



Perin

ADELAIDE CITY

Likely squad: 1. Marshall, 2. Russell, 3. B. Nyskohus, 4. Besir, 5. Jones, 6. Dods, 8. Perin, 9. Marocchi, 10. J. Nyskohus, 11. Mitchell, 12. Northcote, 13. Melta, 14. Miller, 16. Villani, 17. Signore, 22 Peressin. Coach: B. D'Ottavi.

REFEREE: J. Johnston
Linesmen: D. Voutsinas
M. Momont

Next week: Adelaide City v Preston

WEST ADELAIDE

Likely squad: 1. Crook, 2. Tymaszczyn, 3. Pillans, 4. McGachey, 5. Topaz, 6. Bozanic, 7. Boyle, 8. Manecas, 10. Honeyman, 11. McGregor, 12. Forde, 13. Haig, 15. Marisc, 16. Brown, 17. Wright, 20. Miller, 21. Hughes. Coach: B. Birch.

Sunday, 2.30pm
Hindmarsh

Next week: Footscray v West Adelaide



McGachey

PAST RESULTS:

West Adelaide and Preston to meet for the first time.



Brown

PRESTON

Likely squad: 1. Kastner, 2. Rainey, 3. Beech, 4. Ollerton, 5. Higham, 6. Faulkner, 7. Cullen, 8. Flavell, 9. McMillan, 10. Petrovski, 11. Ward, 12. Brown, 13. Lucchesi, 14. Little, 15. Stoikos, 20. Clayton. Coach: B. Edgeley.

REFEREE: R. Kerr
Linesmen: J. Woodward,
T. Martell

Next week: Adelaide City v Preston



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MARCONI v LIONS 2-1 (0-1)

Marconi (4-3-3)

		Maher (4)	
Brogan (3)	Mariani (3)	Prskalo (4)	Degney (4)
Houseini (3)	Picioane (4)	Byrne (4)	
Sharne (4)	Jankovics (3)	Colusso (3)	
Bryce (3)	Millman (4)	Ferris (3)	
Hogg (3)	McLean (3)	Lindsay (3)	
Niven (4)	Hermiston (5)	Bennett (4)	Ontong (4)
	Lowndes (4)		

Lions (4-3-3)

Replacements: Johnston (46m) for Colusso, Henderson (75m) for Housseini, Konstantinou (75m) for Bryce.
Goals: 0-1 Hermiston (40m), 1-1 Johnston (47m), 2-1 Sharne (75m).
Referee: K. Small — **Crowd:** 2,225 — **Cautions:** Lindsay.

Was this the turning point for Marconi?

Coach Raul Blanco would like to think so...A young Scot Stuart Johnston, only six weeks in Australia with only few games in the youth league under his belt, came in as a replacement at halftime and the Marconi rhythm completely changed from one of lethargy to one of aggression and will to win.

The first half of this clash was one big yawn with the defences right on top.

Marconi, through Joe Picioane and Gary Byrne created some beautiful moves but one after another they all crumbled and fizzled out before they reached the

WELCOME

Lions' penalty area.

Jim Hermiston and Col Bennett were in complete command at that stage and the Lions' defence was not only coping but were turning the situation into quick attacks catching Marconi off guard.

From one of these, five minutes from half-time, Lyle Bryce picked up one of these balls, ran to the line and chipped it across for Jim Hermiston to tap home from close range.

However, the second half was a different ball game altogether.

Stuart Johnston, the

21 year old Scot who six weeks ago was still playing for Lincluden Swifts in the County League came in replacing Denis Colusso and the game completely changed.

Marconi were on level terms within two minutes, as Johnston capitalised on a defensive mistake and hammered home a 12-metre shot that left Nigel Lowndes completely at sea.

This was the turning point and Marconi never looked back. Suddenly they seemed to find that magic touch which has

been evading them.

They forged ahead in the 75th minute when a through pass by Jankovics was completely missed by Johnston, but the ball rolled to Sharne who slammed it into the net out of the keeper's reach.

While Johnston seemed to set the game on fire with his aggression, one of the best men on the field was Jim Hermiston of Lions who played a major role both in the defence and attack.

His passing was precise, and with better forwards to exploit his openings, the Lions could have had a bigger lead at the break.

— Charles Spiteri

CANBERRA v BLACKTOWN 2-2 (1-2)

Canberra (4-3-3)

		Hoszowski (3)	
M. O'Shea (2)	Byrne (4)	Stark (3)	Williams (4)
J. O'Shea (3)	Farrell (4)	Purdie (3)	
Brennan (3)	Gibson (4)	MacLaren (2)	
Burrows (5)	Cuk (4)	Milosevic (3)	
Rasmussen (4)	Selvaige (3)	Culina (3)	
O'Donnell (4)	Pointer (3)	Milovanovic (4)	Wheatley (3)
	James (4)		

Blacktown (4-3-3)

Replacements: Massa (46m) for Farrell, R. O'Shea (46m) for Stark, Wallace (62m) for Milosevic, Quarmby (80m) for Burrows.
Goals: 1-0 J. O'Shea (15m), 1-1 Burrows (18m), 1-2 Burrows (34m), 2-2 Byrne (50m).
Referee: K. Allen — **Crowd:** 5,750

This was a match which had flashes of excitement but was characterised by gritty determination rather than flair.

Ex-Canberra player Mike Milovanovic summed up the no-nonsense approach of the visitors after nine minutes when he hacked down Don MacLaren with a professional foul while the latter was running free for goal.

Blacktown attacked Canberra consistently using their winger Burrows as a menacing raider.

However, Canberra were the first team to draw blood. Ian Gibson received the ball on the right wing and jinked the ball across goal to Ian Purdie who nodded the

DRILLED

ball to John O'Shea whose header gave Canberra the lead.

Blacktown refused to be fazed and equalised only three minutes later.

Brian O'Donnell squared a ball to Paul Burrows who lifted the ball past Steve Hoszowski without hesitation.

Canberra were now flagging and Blacktown were penetrating the Canberra right flank with verve and effect.

It was no surprise to Canberra fans when Burrows underlined his sharp form by snatching the ball from a melee in the locals' defence to

score his second goal.

Canberra attacked sporadically but were uneasy in defence until the half time whistle blew.

During the second half Canberra responded with a concerted attacking effort.

After five minutes Tony Brennan was fouled running into the Blacktown goal mouth.

A Gibson freekick floated into the area and Terry Byrne was on hand to smash the ball into the net with an emphatic header.

With the game in deadlock both sides fought with more

tenacity than skill to grab a winner.

The Arrows thought they had one when Don MacLaren slipped the ball into the net after a Purdie shot hit the upright, but Ken Allen had judged MacLaren to have interfered with play.

However, on the day a draw was a fair result. Canberra sorely missed the injured Walter Valeri and New Zealanders Duncan Cole and Richard Wilson.

Blacktown, though lacking in sheer class, are a well-drilled side which on this display do not deserve to be tainted with the "defensive team" tag.

— Peter Kunz

SYDNEY OLYMPIC v FOOTSCRAY 0-0

Sydney Olympic (4-3-3)

		Wilson (4)	
Moulis (3)	Ziras (3)	Rowden (3)	Palmer (3)
Raskopoulos (3)	Laing (3)	Katholos (3)	
Cotton (3)	Koussas (3)	Jennings (3)	
Cozella (3)	Kakantonis (3)		
Belic (3)	Jovanovic (4)	Ilioski (4)	McIvor (3)
Milne (3)	O'Reilly (3)	Kondarios (3)	Hazabent (4)
	Boland (3)		

Footscray (4-4-2)

Replacements: Potter (44m) for Boland, Vross (52m) for Palmer, Gavin (59m) for Koussas.
Referee: P. Rampley — **Crowd:** 5,675.

From the kick-off Footscray methodically played the ball back to keeper Boland. Boland carefully inspected the ball and took a leisurely stroll in the penalty area before throwing the ball to a fullback who promptly returned it to Boland.

That opening scenario warned all and sundry that the bottom placed team were putting up the shutters and were not going to lose at any cost.

With Olympic pushing four forward, Footscray pulled six back and created an almighty traffic jam in front of Boland's goal.

The Sydney-siders, fresh with ideas, played

the ball wide and tried to come around the back of the defence, creating plenty of excitement in front of goal.

Things looked bright when after 10 minutes a good move involving Cotton saw Boland save at the foot of the left post from a Koussas shot.

The Olympians in their anxiety to attack kept taking the game to Footscray, but their build-ups became over-elaborate and the Footscray defence managed to clear the ball effectively.

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effective results.

The Footscray defence stuck to their task to reduce the Olympic forward line to a standstill.

As the game wore on Olympic's frustration increased and no matter what they did in attack they were always confronted by a solid wall of white-shirted defenders.

Despite their negative tactics Footscray produced some nice skills especially in mid-field and towards the end of the game they overshadowed their Sydney counterparts.

They actually came closest to scoring when in the 86th minute Ilioski cracked a 25 metre shot against the upright.

— Mike Mikolajczyk

PRESTON v STH. MELBOURNE 1-1 (0-1)

Preston (4-3-3)

		Clayton (5)	
Rainey (3)	Higham (4)	Flavell (3)	Beech (4)
Faulkner (4)	Whittle (3)	Lucchessi (3)	
Brown (3)	Ollerton (3)	Cullen (3)	
Buljevic (5)	Evans (4)	Cummings (3)	
Stevenson (4)	Shirra (5)	Christopoulos (5)	
Bannon (4)	Xanthopoulos (4)	Blair (5)	Davidson (5)
	Laumets (3)		

South Melbourne (4-3-3)

Replacements: McMillan (57m) for Faulkner, Rogers (67m) for Cummings, Little (82m) for Brown.
Goals: 0-1 Buljevic (42m), 1-1 Little (89m).
Referee: Don Campbell (SA) — **Crowd:** 6,000 — **Cautions:** Ollerton.

John Little saved Preston with a timely equaliser for the second week running and must surely now stake a claim for a full game this coming weekend after such a let down from some notable members of the Preston side in this game.

Little had been on the park for all of seven minutes after replacing an out of touch Doug Brown, when he darted in to the penalty area to finish a centre from the left and rob South Melbourne of a win it thoroughly deserved.

South was class above the home side for lengthy periods, playing some entertaining one-touch football, always constructive when in possession with plenty of running off the ball,

and hardly giving the Preston forward line — until now the top scoring combination in the PS — a look in.

The player who impressed most was Steve Blair who blotted Peter Ollerton out of the match completely winning every ball in the air and harassing him out of possession, when Ollie got service on the ground (which wasn't often).

In midfield coach John Margaritis did not risk Billy Rogers from the start because the Soccer was still feeling the effects of his knee injury and had missed a training session during

the week.

But his replacement, George Christopoulos did as good a job overshadowing his direct counterpart Alan Whittle, Preston's costly new signing.

Christopoulos was later moved up front in place of Duncan Cummings and again was constructive in his moves but he is not the answer to South's only flaw.

The side lacks a finisher of the calibre of Jamie Paton to finish off the numerous openings the rest of the team is creating.

In the end all the team had to show for its

superiority was a Buljevic goal who headed home at the far post a right wing cross from Vince Bannon, three minutes before halftime.

Buljevic had a very good second half and combined with Evans to create the best move of the game first robbing a defender and then slotting a through ball to Christopoulos who in turn laid on a first time pass to Evans in the clear but the striker's shot was well saved by Clayton.

South resorted to stroking the ball around for the closing five minutes and paid the penalty for it when Little hammered home the equaliser a minute from time.

— Paul Galea



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ADELAIDE CITY v WOLLONGONG 1-2 (1-1)

Adelaide City (4-4-2)

Russell (4)	Jones (3)	Marshall (3)	Perin (4)	B. Nyskohus (4)
Villani (3)	Northcote (5)	Marocchi (4)	Mitchell (4)	Melta (2)
Fleming (4)	Fontana (4)	Morlando (3)	McBreen (5)	Tredinnick (4)
Ainsworth (3)	Lathan (3)	Dunleavy (4)	Willis (4)	
	DeGraaf (4)	Vardareff (4)		

Wollongong (4-4-2)

Replacements: Signore (60m) for Villani, Miller (81m) for Melta, Morton (66m) for Morlando.
Goals: 1-0 Mitchell (34m), 1-1 Fontana (44m), 1-2 McBreen (72m).
Referee: S. Mellings (Vic.) — Crowd: 3,200 — Cautions: Northcote, Villani, McBreen.

Adelaide Giants failed to keep the Wolves from their door in what, for the home team, was a frustrating encounter.

For the Wolves it was an occasion for great celebration because it was their first win for two long, "drawn out" months.

For the respective coaches, Bob D'Ottavi (Giants) and Ken Morton (Wolves) and for soccer watchers in general, the match proved conclusively that it is not necessarily the team which creates the most scoring chances which wins the game.

The Giants raided from so many varied sources during the first half that they should have established a three-

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goal lead by the interval.

But the Wolves defended with commendable commitment and were level at the break, able to set the stage for a second half revival.

Finally it was a case of too much being left to too few for the Giants, while the Wolves unfound a concerted team effort.

When Melbourne referee Stuart Mellings blew the final whistle, he signalled the end of Giants' challenging run which had brought them 12 goals in their last three league games.

It seemed the trend would continue in this

match when, right from the start, Brian Northcote cut energetically into the Wolves penalty area to create chances for Johnny Nyskohus and Sergio Melta.

The Giants kept attacking and Youth Soccer David Mitchell reaped the reward when he accepted a great through-ball from captain Gary Marocchi to slam an angled drive past Natch Vardareff to register the first goal against Wollongong to be scored in Adelaide.

Further chances followed, but Wolves equalised with their first real scoring attempt a

minute before halftime as Glen Fontana dived spectacularly to nod home a right wing cross from John Fleming.

Giants then mounted a series of attacks which brought corners galore, but the Wolves countered by funneling all eleven players back into their penalty box.

Then as Giants continued to surge forward, Wolves struck through big Jim McGreen, who took a pass from John Lathan to slide the winning goal past Peter Marshall.

Wolves successfully guarded that lead and almost gained a bonus goal in the final minute when Peter Tredinnick ended a lightning wing run.

— Allan Crisp

SYDNEY CITY v NEWCASTLE 4-1 (3-0)

Sydney City (4-3-3):

Mullen (3)	Spanos (4)	Clarke (4)	O'Connor (4)	Bruce (3)
Patikas (3)	Souness (6)	Barnes (4)		
Watson (5)	Kosmina (5)	Boden (3)		
Jones (3)	Mountford (2)	Storey (2)		
Senkalski (3)	McClelland (3)	Heys (2)		
H. Tredinnick (2)	Drinkwater (4)	Bertogna (3)	Reaney (3)	
	Dando (3)			

Newcastle (4-3-3):

Goals: 1-0 Kosmina (1m), 2-0 Kosmina (25m), 3-0 Barnes (39m), 4-0 Barnes (68m), 4-1 Jones (72m).
Referee: H. Witschge — Crowd: 1,500 (est.) — Caution: Storey.

When John Kosmina headed home a Bruce cross after 57 seconds, one could have had a premonition about a runaway victory.

And that's precisely what the match should have been had the Slickers taken only a portion of their chances.

With the exception of a few dull patches, especially towards the end, the Slickers played brilliant, fast and imaginative football, easily their best performance this year.

Ian Souness in midfield was bursting with energy: he was prompting, tackling, distributing and switching points of attack with elegance and effervescence.

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Boden, then Mullen could have added to the score before a diving header by Kosmina from a sharp Souness cross made it 2-0.

But there was more to come. Watson made one of his many dazzling runs with Stanley Matthews shuffles and close control, sent in an inch-perfect cross to the far post and Barnes could pick his spot with a powerful header.

Understandably, Newcastle never recovered from this spectacular blitz though they managed to tighten their rearguard and keep the score to respectable

levels.

In the first 15 minutes after halftime, the Slickers had perhaps their best period: one rapid attack followed another, with interchanges, wall-passes, through balls and other Continental smallgoods and delicacies.

Yet, amazingly, this spell produced no goals at all, only some delightful football which probably even the visitors felt tempted to applaud.

In the 68th minute a Watson freekick was cleared short and Barnes rammed home his shot from 14 metres to make

it 4-0.

The tempo slackened: the matadors took mercy on the bleeding bull.

Newcastle, though playing some very patchy stuff, made an attempt to get back into the game and finally a 20-metre drive by Jones caught Clarke by surprise.

Two minutes later it could have been 4-2 but Mountford's header missed by inches.

Souness in midfield was the unexpected secret weapon of the Slickers: even his Liverpool namesake would have been proud of his powerful surges and imperial domination.

— Andrew Dettre

HEIDELBERG v WEST ADELAIDE 2-0 (1-0)

Heidelberg (4-3-3)

McMillan (4)	Monagle (3)	Oliver (3)	Yzendoorn (4)	Tansey (5)
Rooney (4)	Campbell (3)	Selemidis (3)		
Cole (5)	Paton (3)	McGrory (4)		
Brown (4)	Wright (2)	Pillans (4)		
Norris (3)	Boyle (3)	Honeyman (3)		
Halg (4)	Topaz (3)	Tymczyszyn (4)	Bozanic (3)	
	Crooke (4)			

West Adelaide (4-3-3)

Replacements: Provan (65m) for Monagle, Lopes (70m) for Boyle.
Goals: 1-0 Tansey (27m), 2-0 Tymczyszyn (82m. o.g.)
Referee: D. Voutsinas — Crowd: 3,200 — Caution: Campbell.

Heidelberg, notorious slow beginners, showed up with some enterprising play during the early stages, with Rooney sending Paton through to the penalty box but Paton lost balance before he could shoot.

West Adelaide were second in everything during that time, both in attack and defence, and the balance of power rested in the capable hands of Martyn Crook alone.

Boyle and Pillans were the only ones to reach Jeff Oliver but without doing any damage.

In the 25th minute, West Adelaide were warning to the task with better inter-passing, but

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this proved to be their undoing when Heidelberg broke clear and with smart passing and footwork put West Adelaide on the defensive.

McGrory took the ball out on the right wing, and put a great cross to Tansey on the corner of the penalty box coming in behind his attack to score with a perfect shot.

The Hawks were not being worried by being a goal down and were building up pressure from midfield to appear more meaningful in front of goal, but were lacking

that decisive effort to get a score.

The second half looked very lively with the Hawks doing much better and a Pillans header in the 48th minute could have tied the score with that little bit of luck.

A period of intensive midfield play was proving advantageous to Heidelberg, with McMillan and Yzendoorn giving Rooney and Campbell the support to give West Adelaide defence their toughest period.

With 20 minutes to go, I felt that West Adelaide were deserving of much

kudos for their persistent tenacity, but lacked the killer instinct to benefit from the 90 minute play of Halg, Brown, Pillans and Tymczyszyn who were the real toilers in the field all day.

Monagle had done well in his first game since coming from Ireland and was replaced by Bob Provan with 25 minutes to go.

Paton was guilty of missing a sitter with 17 minutes to go.

The Hawks had done their dash by now and were stunned by an own goal inadvertently turned in by Peter Tymczyszyn from a Paton shot.

— Jock Stephen

BRISBANE CITY v LEICHHARDT 0-0

Brisbane City (4-3-3)

Caldwell (3)	Dunne (4)	Coe (4)	Ratcliffe (4)	B. Wilkinson (4)
Gaffney (3)	Pimblett (3)	Hamilton (3)		
Palinkas (3)	P. Wilkinson (3)	Kelso (3)		
O'Connor (3)	Morsello (3)	Soper (3)		
Kafka (3)	Hughes (4)	Gray (2)		
Casacchia (3)	Wilson (3)	Pullen (-)	Skellern (4)	
	Woodhouse (5)			

Leichhardt (4-3-3)

Replacements: McAusland (3) (8m) for Pullen, Conner (82m) for Gaffney.
Referee: J. Wood — Crowd: 2,920.

Leichhardt Strikers are inaptly named: they were defenders and nothing but defenders in this match.

When Pullen departed the scene after only 8 minutes the side withdrew into a total shell with only sporadic raids to break the monotony.

Hughes fell back into the backline and did a good job of policing Kelso.

Wilson never wandered far from Paul Wilkinson and Skellern worked like a man possessed behind him.

Despite all this good work, albeit it being negative, it took a superb performance from Woodhouse to keep the scoresheet clean, plus the Brisbane City problem of converting chances.

STONEWALL

It was 30 minutes before Woodhouse had to show his class and ironically it was substitute McAusland, no doubt feeling sorry for his teammates who crashed a header goalwards.

Woodhouse took off in a superb dive to turn it round the post.

Five minutes later he repeated the feat but his time it was Paul Wilkinson who directed the strike.

Then it was the strong, aggressive Ratcliffe who shaved the post with another header.

changed.

This time it was Kelso who brought out the wonder saves from Woodhouse, one especially worthy of the 'save of the year' tag.

As is usual in these circumstances, Phil O'Connor almost stole the points for Leichhardt in the dying minutes when he cleverly chipped a shot over Coe, but the big 'keeper proved to be as good and as acrobatic as his young counterpart when with a back-dive, gathered in the ball just as it was crossing the line.

The game petered out then. Willie Conner was introduced into the

home attack too late to breach the dominance now being enjoyed by the back four of Leichhardt.

The visitors were content to practice the well worn tactics of holding the ball for corners, kicking out strongly for throw-ins and so on ad infinitum.

Brisbane City must closely examine their play-making department if they are to keep up the challenge for as the season progresses they will meet more and more of this type of opposition.

— Jim Binnie

PHILIPS CUP

Canterbury-Marrickville thrashed 9-1 by St. George in a League match only four weeks ago, reversed that decision with a 1-0 win in the Philips Cup match at Seymour Shaw in Sydney last week.

A player from each side was sent off as Marconi-Datsun Leopards beat NSW State League team Melita 2-1 in a first round Philips Cup match at Everley Park.

Referee Gary Power dismissed Marconi's young stopper Steve Calderan.

Melita substitute striker Don Allan, who scored in the 51st minute, was booked for dissent in the 83rd minute and was sent off a minute later for an alleged foul on Marconi's Berti Mariani.

LEIGHARDT: 3 (Morsello, O'Connor, Sopper) d AUBURN: 2 (Allen, Hill). Crowd: 2,340.

CANTERBURY-MARRICKVILLE: 1 (Ross Brown) d ST. GEORGE: 0. Crowd: 1,200.

MARCONI: 2 (M. Jankovics 2) d MELITA 1 (D. Allan).

THIS WEEK: Wednesday, May 6: Wollongong v Leighhardt, Woonona 7.30pm, Sydney City v Weston, Marconi Stadium

6.30pm, Marconi v Canterbury, Marconi Stadium, 8.30pm, Grange Thistle v Lions, Perry Park 8pm.

Thursday, May 7: Canberra v Olympic, Siefert Oval, 8pm.

NEXT WEEK: Monday, May 11: Brisbane City v Mareeba, Spencer Park 3pm.

NSW YOUTH LEAGUE

LAST WEEK

GROUP 1

	16s	15s	14s
Gladesville v Blacktown City	2-3	1-2	2-2
Bankstown v St. George	1-5	0-2	1-4
Illawarra v Croatia	1-1	3-0	3-0
Polonia v Baulk Hills	2-1	2-0	1-0
Syd. Olympic v Sth. & Eastern	2-0	2-0	3-0
Melita v Leighhardt	0-5	2-6	1-0

GROUP 2

Nepean v Central Coast	4-2	1-1	1-3
Riverwood v Kurlingal	2-2	4-0	0-4
Marconi v Avala	3-1	5-0	7-1
Sutherland v Blacktown Assoc.	1-1	1-0	5-4
Canterbury v Sth. Dist.	3-1	1-0	2-2

Round 10 - All Saturday

GROUP A:

Gladesville v Hornsby v St. George - Pioneer
Bankstown v Leighhardt - Soccer Centre
Blacktown City v Croatia - St. John's Park
Illawarra v Baulkham Hills - Ted Horwood
Polonia v Sthn. Eastern - Chopin
Sydney Olympic v Melita - Everley

GROUP 2

Nepean v Kurlingal - Acron
Central Coast v Avala - Fagan
Marconi v Blacktown Assoc. - Marconi Oval
Sutherland v Sthn. District - Ernie Smith
Canterbury v Manly - Arlington
Riverwood - Bye

Standings:

GROUP A:

Under 16s: Leighhardt 17, Blackt. City 15, Syd. Olympic 14, St. George 13, Gladesville 10, Melita 9, Southn. Eastern 7, Croatia 6, Bankstown 5, Polonia 5, Illawarra 4, Baulk. Hills 1pt.

Under 15s: St. George 16, Leighhardt 16, Illawarra 13, Blackt. City 12, Gladesville 11, Croatia 10, Baulk. Hills 8, Polonia 8, Bankstown 6, Southn. Eastern 4, Olympic 4, Melita 0pts.

Under 14s: Olympic 16, St. George 14, Illawarra 13, Leighhardt 12, Gladesville 11, Blackt. City 9, Melita 8, Polonia 7, Bankstown 6, Southn. East. 5, Baulk. Hills 4, Croatia

3pts.

GROUP 2
Under 16s: Canterbury 17, Sutherland 16, Manly 13, Marconi 13, Blackt. Assoc. 10, Kurlingal 8, South. Dist. 8, Riverwood 8, Nepean 5, Avala 4, Central Coast 4pts.

Under 15s: Manly 17, Sutherland 17, Marconi 14, Canterbury 13, Nepean 11, Avala 9, Central Coast 7, Riverwood 7, Kurlingal 6, Blackt. Assoc. 3, South. Dist. 0pts.

Under 14s: Kurlingal 17, Marconi 15, Manly 13, Sutherland 12, Canterbury 12, South. Dist. 9, Central Coast 9, Blackt. Assoc. 8, Avala 4, Nepean 4, Riverwood 3pts.

DIVISION 2

Nth. Ryde v Lane Cove Utd., Sun., Nth. Ryde Oval; Bonnyrigg v Baulkham Hills, Sun., St. John's Park; Dee Why v Mt. Druitt Town, Sat., Dee Why Oval; Liverpool Albion v Marrickville Rockdale, Sat., Stanwell Oval; Gladesville Hornsby v Queens Park, Sun., Pioneer Park; Riverstone Schofields v Campbelltown City, Sun., Schofields Park.

DIVISION 3

Bondi Marine v Kingsford, Sat., Waverley Oval; Paddington v Artamon, Sun., Campbell Park; Padstow Park v Port Hacking, Sun., Welshaw Park; Wentworth v Fairfield Klev, Sun., Centenary Park; West Ryde Rovers v Sydney Uni, Sat., L.H. Waud S/GRD; Hurstville-Zagreb v Eastern Creek, Sun., Evatt Park.

DIVISION 4

Ryde Dist. v Eastwood S/A, Sun., E.L.S. Hall Park; Nth. Rocks v Chelsea, Sun., Murray Farm Reserve; Revesby Rovers v Fairfield West, Sun., Amour Park; Canley Heights v Winston Hills, Sun., King Park; Maroubra Utd. v West St. George, Sat., Coral Sea Park; Concordia v West Holroyd G/C, Sat., Marrickville Oval.

DIVISION 5

Sydney Maccabi v Macquarie Uni., Sat., Syd. Athletic Field; Hawkesbury Dist. v Haberfield B/D's, Sat., North Richmond; Chullora v Camden, Sat., Jensen Park; Edensor Park v Green Valley, Sat., King Tomislav Park; Pagewood v Moorebank, Sun., Jellicoe Park; Glenquarie Utd. v Auburn Juniors, Sun., Bensley Road S/Complex.

PSL DATES

Two postponed PSL matches have already been rescheduled by manager Paul Kemp.

West Adelaide will play South Melbourne at 7.30pm on Friday, May 8 at the Hindmarsh Stadium.

The Leighhardt v Adelaide City game will be staged on Monday, June 8 (Queens Birthday holiday). No date has yet been found for the Sydney City v Blacktown match.

PSL TOP SCORERS

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MITCHELL (Adcity)	5
SHARNE (Marconi)	5

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LAST WEEK'S RESULTS

COCA-COLA BOTTLERS STATE LEAGUE

	I	II	III
Monaro v Bankstown	1-2	0-1	—
St. George v Croatia	1-1	1-1	1-2
Canterbury/Marrickville v Riverwood	0-0	1-0	1-2
Polonia v Melita	0-1	0-1	1-1
Auburn v Sutherland	0-5	1-3	1-0
Nth. Syd. Inter v Avala	1-0	1-1	3-0
Manly v Parramatta	0-1	4-1	2-1
Bankstown v Auburn	—	2-1	5-2

Division 1

Gladesville v Revesby	0-0	0-0	2-0
Belmore v Uni of NSW	1-1	4-2	3-0
Guildford v Bathurst	0-1	2-0	2-1
Penrith v Fairy Meadow	1-0	1-0	1-1
Yugal v Wollongong	2-1	4-1	1-6
Kurlingal v Nth. Bankstown	2-0	1-2	2-0
Warringah v Blacktown	1-3	0-3	0-2

Division 2

Mt. Druitt v Liverpool Albion	2-1	2-2	3-4
Campbelltown v Gladesville	5-0	1-1	1-0
Marrickville v Riverstone	1-0	1-2	5-0
Lane Cove v Bonnyrigg	0-0	1-4	2-1
Baulkham Hills v Dee Why	0-4	1-0	13-1
Queens Park v Nth. Ryde	3-1	0-0	2-0

Division 3

Artamon v Padstow Park	2-0	1-2	—
Eastern Creek v West Ryde	3-1	2-1	—
Fairfield v Hurstville	0-1	2-2	—
Kingsford v Paddington	2-2	0-0	—
Port Hacking v Wentworth	1-6	2-4	—
Sydney University v Bondi	0-2	3-0	—

Division 4

West St. George v Ryde Dist.	1-2	1-4	—
Winston Hills v Concordia	1-1	4-1	—
Eastwood v Nth. Rocks	1-0	1-1	—
Chollasa v Revesby	1-0	4-1	—
Fairfield W. v Canley Heights	1-2	1-1	—
W. Holroyd v Maroubra	5-0	1-1	—

Division 5

Auburn Juniors v Pagewood	2-2	0-0	—
Green Valley v Glenquarie	3-2	1-2	—
Macquarie University v Hawkesbury	4-2	3-1	—
Haberfield v Chullora	3-3	2-0	—
Camden v Edensor Park	3-3	2-2	—
Moorebank v Sydney Maccabi	2-1	4-0	—

Division 6

Bankstown v Sth. Sydney	5-1	0-4	—
Colo Colo v Robins	0-0	3-1	—
Transandinos v Liverpool Rangers	3-0	4-0	—
Blacktown Wanderers v Liverpool City	0-1	0-2	—
Rangers v Robins	0-6	0-2	—
Liverpool United v Parramatta	2-1	2-0	—
Colo-Colo v Blacktown Workers	1-0	2-0	—

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COCA-COLA BOTTLERS STATE LEAGUE

GRADE 1

	W	D	L	F	A	P
St. George	9	1	—	45	5	19
Melita	9	1	—	31	7	18
Croatia	7	2	—	19	6	16
Riverwood	5	2	3	15	16	12
Sutherland	4	3	2	11	5	11
Monaro	4	2	4	14	17	10
Canterbury	3	2	5	15	23	8
Polonia	3	2	5	10	18	8
Avala	3	1	6	12	21	7
Manly	3	—	7	13	19	6
Bankstown	3	—	7	12	21	6
Auburn	3	—	7	6	20	6
N. Sydney	2	—	7	9	16	5
P. Maitland	2	—	7	6	23	4

GRADE 2

St. George	8	2	—	35	5	18
Melita	7	1	2	21	9	15
Canterbury	6	2	2	20	8	14
Croatia	6	2	1	20	9	14
Riverwood	5	2	3	18	9	12
Sutherland	4	3	3	15	11	10
Bankstown	4	3	3	14	13	11
Sutherland	4	2	3	15	11	10
Polonia	2	1	7	5	18	5
Avala	1	3	6	7	20	5
P. Maitland	1	3	5	6	24	5
Monaro	1	2	7	8	24	4
Auburn	1	2	7	4	22	4

GRADE 3

Manly	7	—	1	23	9	14
Melita	6	4	1	25	14	14
Auburn	6	1	2	22	7	13
Bankstown	5	2	2	22	13	12
Riverwood	5	2	2	21	13	12
Sutherland	5	1	2	13	10	11
Polonia	3	3	3	15	13	6
Croatia	3	3	3	17	25	9
Canterbury	2	3	4	14	19	7
St. George	3	—	6	13	13	6
Avala	1	1	7	7	26	3
Nth. Syd.	1	—	7	7	19	3
P. Maitland	1	—	7	5	24	2

DIVISION 1

	W	D	L	F	A	P
Blacktown	8	2	2	16	8	14
Yugoslav	6	2	2	17	12	14
Kuringal	6	2	2	10	5	14
Wool. Utd.	5	2	2	20	8	12
Bathurst	5	2	3	14	14	12
Fry. Mdw.	5	1	3	17	8	11
Penrith	4	3	3	10	11	11
Uni NSW	4	2	3	14	12	10
Guildford	2	3	9	6	9	7
Warrington	2	3	5	15	19	7
Belmore	1	5	4	9	22	7
N. Bankst.	3	—	6	6	14	6
Gladesville	1	3	5	7	12	5
Revesby	1	2	7	11	24	4

GRADE 2

Blacktown	7	—	3	19	8	14
Kuringal	6	2	2	18	8	14
Fry. Mdw.	6	1	2	23	8	13
Gladesville	5	3	1	12	4	13
Yugoslav	4	2	4	14	10	12
Guildford	4	2	2	12	10	12
Wool. Utd.	4	—	4	19	20	12
Penrith	5	1	4	10	11	11
Revesby	4	2	4	10	9	10
Belmore	4	2	4	12	12	10
N. Bankst.	4	2	3	12	15	10
Uni NSW	2	—	8	12	28	4
Warrington	—	3	7	7	18	3
Bathurst	—	—	10	3	32	—

GRADE 3

Kuringal	10	—	—	32	9	20
Belmore	7	1	2	23	10	15
Fry. Mdw.	7	1	1	22	10	15
Gladesville	5	3	1	21	11	13
Guildford	6	1	2	21	19	13
Wool. Utd.	6	—	4	25	16	12
Penrith	3	4	2	9	11	10
Revesby	4	—	6	24	16	8
N. Bankst.	2	2	6	6	13	6
Bathurst	2	1	7	15	17	5
Blacktown	2	1	6	10	22	5
Warrington	1	2	6	6	26	4
Uni NSW	—	4	6	4	26	4
Yugoslav	1	—	8	14	33	2

DIVISION 2

	W	D	L	F	A	P
Marrickville	3	1	1	8	5	7
C. Bellfryn	3	—	1	11	2	6
Dee Why	3	—	1	10	4	6
M. Druitt	3	—	1	6	2	6
Baulk. Hills	2	1	1	5	7	5
Qns. Park	2	—	2	8	7	4
Lane Cove	1	2	1	5	5	4
N. Ryde	2	—	3	6	8	4
Bonnyrigg	1	2	2	5	8	4
L'pool Alb	1	1	2	6	7	3
Riverstone	1	1	2	5	6	3
Gladesville	—	5	2	16	—	—

GRADE 1

Bonnyrigg	4	—	1	12	4	8
N. Ryde	2	3	—	11	6	7
C. Bellfryn	2	1	1	8	4	5
C. Bellfryn	2	1	1	8	4	5
L'pool Alb	1	3	—	4	2	5
Baulk. Hills	2	1	1	3	3	6
M. Druitt	1	2	2	6	7	5
Qns. Park	1	2	1	7	5	4
Riverstone	1	2	1	8	8	4
Gladesville	—	3	2	5	10	3
Dee Why	1	—	3	4	6	2
Qns. Park	—	2	2	1	6	2
Lane Cove	1	—	3	3	9	2

GRADE 2

Bonnyrigg	4	—	1	12	4	8
N. Ryde	2	3	—	11	6	7
C. Bellfryn	2	1	1	8	4	5
C. Bellfryn	2	1	1	8	4	5
L'pool Alb	1	3	—	4	2	5
Baulk. Hills	2	1	1	3	3	6
M. Druitt	1	2	2	6	7	5
Qns. Park	1	2	1	7	5	4
Riverstone	1	2	1	8	8	4
Gladesville	—	3	2	5	10	3
Dee Why	1	—	3	4	6	2
Qns. Park	—	2	2	1	6	2
Lane Cove	1	—	3	3	9	2

GRADE 3

M. Druitt	4	—	1	13	2	9
L'pool Alb	4	—	1	14	6	8
C. Bellfryn	3	1	—	16	3	7
C. Bellfryn	3	1	—	16	3	7
Gladesville	2	—	2	21	4	6
Qns. Park	3	—	1	12	6	6
Baulk. Hills	2	—	2	16	5	4
M. Druitt	1	1	2	7	9	3
Lane Cove	1	1	2	3	6	3
N. Ryde	1	1	3	6	12	3
Bonnyrigg	1	—	4	5	19	2
Dee Why	—	1	3	4	24	1
Riverstone	—	—	4	—	21	—

DIVISION 3

	W	D	L	F	A	P
Artarmon	3	1	—	15	2	7
Hurstville	3	1	—	8	3	7
Wentworth	2	2	—	11	5	6
E. Creek	3	—	1	7	5	6
Padstow	2	1	1	9	3	5
Kingsford	1	3	—	9	5	5
Fairfield K	2	—	2	7	6	4
Bondi	2	—	2	7	6	4
Syd. Uni	1	—	3	3	7	2
W. Ryde	1	—	4	7	13	2
Paddington	—	2	3	4	11	2
Port Hack	—	4	4	23	—	—

GRADE 2

Fairfield K	3	1	—	12	5	7
Kingsford	2	2	—	11	4	6
Bondi	2	2	—	10	5	6
Wentworth	2	2	—	10	6	6
East. Crk.	3	—	1	9	7	6
Paddington	1	3	1	9	8	5
Padstow	2	—	2	7	9	4
Artarmon	1	1	2	12	10	3
Syd. Uni	1	1	2	8	8	3
Hurstville	—	2	2	4	7	2
W. Ryde	1	—	4	5	13	2
Port Hack	—	4	4	21	—	—

DIVISION 4

	W	D	L	F	A	P
W. Holroyd	3	1	—	15	5	7
Concordia	3	1	1	8	4	7
Winstn. Hl	2	2	1	11	6	6
N. Rocks	3	—	2	9	6	6
Canley Hl	3	—	1	12	10	6
Fairfield W.	2	1	1	11	7	5
Chelsea	2	1	2	8	8	5
Revesby	1	2	2	8	8	4
Ryde Dist.	2	—	3	6	12	4
W. St. Geo.	1	1	2	8	7	3
Eastwood	1	1	3	5	12	3
Maroubra	—	5	5	18	—	—

GRADE 2

Fairfield W.	3	1	—	11	3	7
Canley Hl	3	1	—	9	3	7
W. St. Geo.	3	—	1	11	5	6
Winstn. Hl	2	—	2	15	10	6
Eastwood	2	1	2	7	5	5
Concordia	2	1	2	7	7	5
N. Rocks	2	1	2	4	8	5
W. Holroyd	1	2	1	4	4	4
Chelsea	2	—	3	10	15	4
Maroubra	1	2	2	4	9	4
Ryde Dist.	—	2	3	4	11	2
Revesby	—	1	4	2	10	1

DIVISION 5

	W	D	L	F	A	P
Moorebank	2	4	—	9	7	8
Macquarie	2	2	1	13	12	6
Green Valley	3	—	1	5	4	6
Glenside	2	1	1	13	6	5
Edensor P	1	3	—	11	6	5
Pageview	2	1	2	7	12	6
Auburn J.	1	3	1	4	4	4
Maccabi	1	2	2	6	7	4
Camden	—	4	1	9	10	4
Haberfield	1	2	2	8	12	4
Chullora	1	1	2	7	8	3
Hawkesb.	—	2	3	7	11	2

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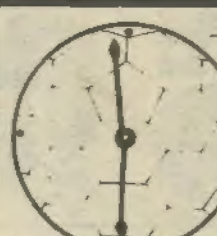
Doug Utjesenovic, the former St. George and Soccerroo fullback star, has taken over the hot-seat at Avala, for his first coaching venture.

Utjesenovic was a brilliant player and an outstanding, highly professional individual.

If he can hold a tight rein over his team, he could be at the start of a successful coaching career.

Kaz Kulak, meanwhile, is bitterly disappointed about getting the sack from Avala.

"I had to drop a couple of players to the reserve grade because of their form and some people in the committee wouldn't accept this," he said.



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flicked it over for Paul to score. The first goal for Heights was a beautiful effort from Billy Nutt who ran all the way from midfield to head in from a corner kick taken by Wayne Prescott.

West Holroyd (4th div.) are on top of the division and are very confident of staying there. Playing against Maroubra Wests finished 5-0 winners with four goals coming after the interval. The first goal was scored by Rodney Cook from an indirect freekick taken by James Gwargis. A good constructive play from the right wing helped Bobby Harris to score his first goal of the match. Bobby, a few minutes later scored again for his second. James Gwargis also scored two goals, one as a result of a scramble in front of the goalmouth and the other from an indirect freekick set up involving Rodney Cook. Next week West Holroyd will be clashing with Concordia, the joint leaders, for the outright leadership.

Sydney Uni (33rd div.) could not stop Bondi Marine from scoring a 0-2 win at St. Johns Oval. The halftime score was 0-0 but a soul-searching session at the interval paid dividends for Bondi and put an end to any hopes the much improved University side had. Ian McGovern received the ball in midfield and tackling two defenders he pushed forward towards the goal and at the right moment passed the ball back for Bobby Rankin to score. Bondi scored again through an indirect freekick taken by Ian McGovern from the right wing and George Keith headed the ball home.

Kingsford (3rd div.) could only get one point from the home clash against Paddington Spanish. The 2-2 score was a fair result and the revived Spanish side fully deserved the point. George Kaghagis and Peter Page scored for Kingsford and for Paddington "Paco" Fuentes and Juan Aburio were the winners. The man of the match was Mustala Leha, the Paddington player, who had a hand in the first Spanish goal. Paddington has recalled Eduardo Martinez as a coach and the club is confident to get the results from here on. Eduardo was the Spanish coach a few years ago when the side was in top form.

5th and 6th division clubs are

CROATIA KEEP PACE WITH LEADERS

— By Paul James —

Several top matches stand out this weekend in the program for the State League.

The Croatia-Inter Monaro match at King Tomislav could shape up as an interesting encounter, as could the Riverwood—St. George clash at Hurstville.

Croatia's confidence will be high after their fine draw with St. George—they are the first team to take a point from the

Saints in the League.

Once again their gifted playmaker Marijan Kovacic was behind the Croatia attack that led to their equaliser last Sunday.

Monaro will be hoping to try and recover some ground they lost when they went down to Bankstown last week.

But their injury list looks a trifle too big for comfort at present and they may find the going

tough here.

An entertaining game, but a Croatia win 2-0.

Riverwood's match with the Saints is full of nostalgia.

The meeting of Abonyi and Arok, Billy Bulloch's meeting with his former club and of course, the return of the Saints to their former home ground, Hurstville Oval.

This match will be fascinating in that it could answer the question of whether the Saints are on the slide.

Their loss to Canterbury in the Philips Cup and the draw with Croatia mean they virtually only have one point from their last two matches.

Abonyi has pledged that Saints won't keep up their four goals a game record against Riverwood, but the Saints lads can be expected to go flat out to show they mean business.

We tip a Saints win 2-0.

Polonia's defence held out bravely last week against Melita, but it is their attack that they'll have to get working again.

Sutherland's strike force is particularly sharp and with the Bush brothers, Groome and Murphy all geared up another Sharks win looks the best bet.

We tip Sutherland 2-1.

Avala, under the guidance of Doug Utjesenovic meet a shattered Auburn this week and will be hoping to cash in on the disarray that is bound to be found in the green and gold's camp.

Once Utjesenovic finds his feet in the club Avala can be expected to again surge on, but at present we tip a more cautious policy.

A draw here is our tip, 1-1.

Manly were disappointed after their loss to Parramatta last week.

After the hiding they handed Avala they had every right to believe they'd get both points from the dark horses.

But the Magpies coach Bob Wall has still got a few tricks up his sleeve and with players like Hamilton and Herron to bolster the team Parramatta will cause more shocks.

Manly face Norths this Sunday in a clash that should see the sparks fly.

A fierce rivalry has built up between these two clubs and a rugged encounter is predicted.

We tip Manly to win by the lone goal 1-0.

Parramatta face Bankstown after they both got satisfying wins last weekend.

The outcome here will very much depend on the mood of the players, but we tend to feel Parramatta has a better chance of getting the points.

We tip Parramatta 2-1.

Three teams headed by Blacktown lead the competition after another round of surprise results which constantly keep changing week by week.

Three points separate the first seven teams in the competition and the slightest fluctuations make changes at the top.

Biggest surprise of the week was the downfall of Fairy Meadow—a fancied team—against Penrith and the failure of Uni of NSW to account for Belmore.

Blacktown, on top with goal average had little trouble against Warringham, while Yugal—second place—had to fight all the way to beat Wollongong at home.

Wollongong have a game in hand and are still in the thick of it.

Ku-ring-gai, the pacesetter early, scored a convincing win over North Bankstown while Bathurst are inching their way out with another win over Guildford.

Highlights of this week's games are:

Graham Billinghurst scored from a rebound after James Lewis unleashed a bullet-like shot which was partly stopped.

But Belmore continued to hold the upper hand and University, without Andrew Kay the coach, were finding it hard to get back at them.

However, Peter Daglis got the winner with a shot which hit fullback Steve Martin on its way into the net.

Belmore: J. Hawthorne, P. Hawthorne, Kruger, Martin, Vergos, Kirwin, Outen, Graham Billinghurst, Parkinson, B. Palmer, Lewis. Coach: O. Klaus.

Uni of NSW: Ridings, Graham, Hughes, Wren, T. Popovich, Kelly, Kaluwin, Dove, Daglis (V. Popovich), Carwal, Antoniolli. Coach: A. Kay.

As was felt, the St. George-Croatia clash drew the Philips League matches last weekend when a crowd of 7,126 saw a magnificent battle between the two pacesetters in the NSW State League.

St. George broke the deadlock five minutes into the second half but Croatia duly pulled a goal back 15 minutes later to level at 1-1.

Both sides kept going for the elusive match winner, but 1-1 turned out to be the final scoreline.

In other matches, Melita beat Polonia 1-0, North Sydney beat Avala 1-0, Sutherland thrashed Auburn 5-0, Manly went down to Parramatta 1-0, Riverwood and Canterbury drew 0-0 and Bankstown defeated Monaro 2-1 on Saturday.

In the early stages at the St. George stadium, it looked like St. George were going to once again stamp their domination on the match.

But Croatia recovered from an early bout of lethargy and even got on top at times, making the game a battle of two evenly matched teams.

Saints got the vital break-through both sides had been looking for in the 50th minute when Billy Griffiths burst into the area and was past the goalkeeper when he was fouled.

Referee Tim Davies pointed to the penalty spot and striker Dez Marton duly struck it away.

But Croatia's refusal to give in paid dividends in the 85th minute when striker Marcos Silva headed home a beautiful ball crossed in from Croatia's elegant playmaker Marijan Kovacic.

Both sides kept up the tense, pressure football, going for the winning goal to the very last minute and kept the big crowd on its toes all the time.

Mike Berry broke through Polonia's rock solid defence to score the winner for Melita Eagles with 20 minutes to go.

Melita had been trying all the match to get past Polonia, who decided to play the ball around at the back to try and slow down the game.

But then Hector Martinez played a hard cross from the left for Berry to head home.

Sutherland scored three goals in the first 20 minutes to kill Auburn's spirit, and eventually scored two more to post an impressive 5-0 victory.

Nigel Groome, with two goals, Steve Meades and talented brothers Paul and Tony Bush were the goal scorers in the match.

Parramatta scored one goal right on halftime from Peter Roden to post their victory against Manly.

Manly completely dominated the second half but couldn't put the ball past Parramatta's

goalkeeper, Dennis Donovan, who pulled off a number of brilliant saves.

North Sydney picked up two valuable points when they duly beat Avala 1-0 with a Shane Wilson goal close to the end.

Riverwood could only draw 0-0 with Canterbury at Arlington Oval.

Both sides treated each other with respect after recent improved form and very few chances were taken.

Melita entertain Canterbury at Everley Park in another interesting encounter.

Melita have problems with their midfield at present.

John Stoddart is reportedly out of form and the midfield load is falling on the ever willing Ray Farrugia to keep the Eagles flying.

Canterbury are still a topsy-turvy team that can cause sensations either way: with a loss or a win.

A draw is our tip here with a few goals in a 2-2 result.

Sutherland found their scoring boots last week as they have threatened all year and they'll need to keep them on against Polonia.

It will be a pointed match for the two teams:

Manly v Parramatta 0-1 (0-1)

Manly: Ellis, Geoghegan, Doyle, Emery, Kramer, K. Faulkner, Jack (Firrell 45m), P. Faulkner, Reagan, Fox, Palamara. Coach: M. Jones.

Parramatta: Donovan, Bates, Biglands, Lackey, Hynes, Fairclough, Fisher, Roden, Brizuela, Herron, Mitchell. Coach: B. Wall.

Goal: 0-1 Hadden (43m).

Referee: O. Pritchard; Crowd: 474.

Auburn v Sutherland 0-5 (0-3)

Auburn: Bowman, McInerney, Prigomelja, Bates, McDonald, O'Quigley, Bielby, Hill, Brown, Daley (Hoysted 65m), Allen. Coach: R. Smithwaite.

Sutherland: Haynes, Hesford, Cashman, Webber, Dal Forno, Groome, Watkins (Donnelly 35m), Meades, Murphy, T. Bush (Cooper 80m), P. Bush. Coach: J. Watkiss.

Goals: 0-1 P. Bush (7m), 0-2 T. Bush (16m), 0-3 Meades (22m), 0-4 Groome (57m), 0-5 Groome (74m).

Referee: T. Seay; Crowd: 220.

Inter Monaro v Bankstown 1-2 (0-0)

Monaro: Caputo, Charles, Salgado, Noble, Santolin, Falzon, Arquero, Francis, Link, Sheridan, Heywood (Valeri 20m). Coach: J. Arquero.

Bankstown: Laschowitz, Rootsey, Usher, Amies, Greg Lynch, Rea, Peck, Glen Lynch, Nocera, Farthing, Beater. Coach: S. Ferguson.

Goals: 0-1 Beater (53m), 0-2 Farthing (70m), 1-2 Valeri (71m).

Referee: P. Murphy; Crowd: 745.

Cautions: Charles, Falzon, Peck; Sent off: Link, Nocera.

Canterbury v Riverwood 0-0

Canterbury: McPherson, Karaspiros, Laws, Barton, Lane, Bastierfield, Williams, Bourke, Pettas, Osman (Andriou 48m replaced by Georgiou 66m), Binios. Coach: J. Xipolitis.

Riverwood: Glasbourne, Martin, Butcher, Wignall, Mikas, Tracey, Savor, Lee, Fisher, Bulloch, Langdon. Coach: A. Abonyi.

Referee: T. Boskovic; Crowd: 200.

Polonia v Melita 0-1 (0-0)

Polonia: Bonnici, Zounis, Maitre, Budini, Galas, Garlowski, Lemanczyk, Wiszniewski, Noble, Sookes, Szobczyk. Coach: A. Komodor.

Melita: Greedy, McCoy, Daley, Campbell, McPherson, Stoddart, Berry, Farrugia, Ross, Martinez (Gauci 80m), Darvill. Coach: V. Dalgleish.

Goal: Berry (75m).

Referee: D. Rennie; Crowd: 1,340.

St. George v Croatia 1-1 (0-0)

St. George: Fraser, Duarte, Terry, Rylands, Skeen, McDonald, Davies, Stone, Beggs (Kay 77m), Griffiths, Marton (Campbell 77m). Coach: F. Arok.

Croatia: Watson, A. Kovacic, Sperry, M. Kovacic, Dobson, Vidal, Parker, Coleman, M. Silva (Montgomery 85m), Borges, Pagano. Coach: D. Kapitanovic.

Goals: 1-0 Marton (49m, pen.), 1-1 Silva (64m).

Referee: T. Davies — Crowd: 7,126.

North Sydney v Avala 1-0 (0-0)

North Sydney: Lilli, Gibson, J. Bottalico, Matheson, McGinn, O'Rourke, Mitchell, Steven, Wilson, Dale (A. Bottalico), Morisello. Coach: F. Bottalico.

Avala: Ahrens, Lembyk, Pilowski, Falclough, Brown (Dallies), Fernandez, Ruiz, Kodor, Gogic, Samuels, Rodic (Masih), Coach: D. Utjesenovic.

Goal: Wilson (82m).

Manly v Parramatta 1-0

Manly: Berry, Rendell, Cummings, Colclough, Clarke, Ekonomou, Tanoski, Rodas, Babian, Rokodera, Travini. Coach: I. Takac.

Parramatta: P. Terziowski, Montecchi, Campbell, Talevski, R. Sattin (Gardner), Vucelovski, M. Terziowski, H. Sattin, P. Giraldi, R. Giraldi. Coach: M. Johnson.

Fairy Meadow v 1-0

Penrith had their first two successive wins for the first time in two seasons and what a team they have picked to beat!

In a most exciting game, Penrith were given the lead early when Peter Lewis scored when the game was only about 10 minutes old.

Then they had to battle and withstand enormous pressure by the Fairy Meadow forwards.

Fairy Meadow finished the game with only 10 men after Alan Davernsey was sent off.

Penrith: Kristic, Rhodes, Gaskin, Hobart, May Kelly (Dunn), Lewis, Dimatila, Hood, Thoms, Beamer. Coach: S. Ackerley.

Fairy Meadow: Beck, Pascale, Southwell, Chilly, Tinney, Davernsey, Charnock, Richardson, Baker, White, Gardner. Coach: H. Tinney.

Belmore v Uni of NSW 1-1

The students were lucky to get a point in a hard fought match which Belmore mainly dominated.

Warringham v Blacktown 1-3

Two goals in the first five minutes gave Blacktown a morale boost and never looked back after that.

Actually they scored three goals in the first 15 minutes but one was disallowed for offside.

Frank De Valle and Steve Davidson opened the score for Blacktown in a match Blacktown dominated.

Scott Beverley reduced the lead for Warringham just before the break but Joe Ramisch made sure of a win with another goal in the second half.

Warringham: Ciminelli, Duncan, Morris, Collings, Ainslie, Sturges, Friend, Beverley, Kille, Crook, Wright (Euers). Coach: A. Ainslie.

Blacktown: Evans, R. Ramisch, Eldridge, Ber, Murray, De Valle, Crons (Thompson), Clarke, Davidson, Taylor, J. Ramisch. Coach: D. Zeman.



Pino Palamara of Manly.

NSW COCA-COLA BOTTLERS LEAGUE

CLUB PATROL

North Sydney's win last week against Avala means they have maintained a fine record at North Sydney Oval: they haven't lost at 'Bear Park' for two years.

Riverwood president WAL FRAZER is at present laid up at home with an annoying slipped disc.

Sutherland's loan player JIMMY WEBBER, with the club from Sydney City, will be leaving the club next week to spend a year in the United States. When he returns to Australia he will rejoin Sydney City.

Talented Sutherland third grader DON BURNINGHAM will be off to New Zealand in a fortnight as part of a student exchange system. He will spend three months in New Zealand.

The SCHUMANN brothers, RON and KEITH are back around the

Sutherland club — though they still won't be playing for some time as a result of injuries. Ron is on crutches and hobbling around after his knee operation, while Keith is back from a belated holiday to Britain after he broke his leg last year.

Canterbury's CRAIG HALL is back from England after a lengthy holiday. However, as yet the Canterbury club hasn't heard from him and don't know when he'll resume training.

The Melita Supporters club is holding a Mothers Day Ball on May 9 at the Blacktown Civic Centre. Tickets for the evening are still available from club officials.

New brooms don't always sweep well: Avala's new coach DOUG UTJESNOVIC had to suffer a defeat in his debut match last week.

Avala are hopeful that

before the weekend they will be able to sign WARREN TURNBULL, the sidelined defender.

Auburn's RAY SMITHWAITE has been appointed coach of the

NSW Under-19 team for the national championships with Joe Vlasits as the team's special adviser.

St. George hope that their dynamic midfielder MARK BARTON will be fit

to resume playing on Sunday. JOHN RUSSELL and HOWARD HADLEY have both recovered from injuries and are available for selection.

BIG LIFT FROM QANTAS



Qantas Marketing adviser Lex Smyth with Peter Sharne after the sponsorship announcement.

Under the terms of an agreement reached last week between Qantas and the ASF, the Socceros will fly Qantas to all future games in the quest to qualify for the World Cup in Spain in 1982.

Qantas' Marketing Promotions Adviser, Lex Smyth, said this week the new agreement with the ASF was another indication of the strong support Qantas is providing for Australian international sporting organisations.

"We believe it is important that teams representing Australia overseas fly with Australia's overseas airline," said Lex Smyth.

FROM THE PRESS BOX

Patriotism, after all, isn't quite dead. Yet. In the wake of our difficult 3-3 in Auckland, we have been flooded by letters, calls, cables and satellite signals from people offering their help to Rudi.

Below a modest sampling which just shows you.

Sir, I want to tell Gutendorf that I am now available to defend the honor of Australia. My wife and my auntie told me after breakfast that I should volunteer for the Soccerudis. As you may recall, last year I was invited to play for the Pymble Pirates which is a secret nursery for the national squad, but I was kind of busy and had to decline.

I'm ready now. Let's go.

Terry Fern
Newtown Heights

Sir, The Soccerroos' plight touched me very deep — actually, 1200 ft. deep, in a zinc mine where I now work.

I want Rudi to know that I'm prepared to give up my luxurious job and exchange it for the spartan routine of overseas travel, Hilton hotels and an occasional bonus.

Rule Britannia, yours,

Witting Peters
Bullfinch Downs

Sir, I can no longer stay silent amidst such national emergency and want to make myself available again for the team.

I played for them in 1965 in Phnom Penh and I was told then that I had a bright future ahead of me.

Well, that future must be here by now. I feel as fit as any other man of 42 or so and much fitter than I will be in 1989.

Col McToll
Pentridge

Sir, I have read in der Frankfurter Allgemeine about the Probleme of der Rudi und I want to help.

Some years ago I spend time in Melbourne und played for a wunderbar team whose name I forget.

Now I am willing to return und help Rudi und his team, pliss.

I am also ready to become British citizen so that I can be naturalised later und play for yourfour country.

Herzliche Grusse for Rudi und Handkisses for the gnadige Frau.

Wolfgang Untermensch
Offenbach

Sir, I hate this male chauvinism surrounding the Soccerroos and want to know when Gutendorf will give us, girls a go?

It's well known and was recently documented by an East Albanian research team that women have superior stamina and inferior imagination, just what the Soccerroos need.

We are also full of tricks, deceptive runs and have learned to evade tackles better than the boys.

Me Mum says youse men need a shake-up and I'm willing to do it if it helps me country which is the best in the world except perhaps Eastern Albania.

Lillian Amazanovich
Tirana, Qld.

Sir, I hear you guys need leadership, motivation and anti-psychosis drill. Take me, then.

I was cashiered from the US Marines, the Commandos and the Kriegsmarine for excessive brutality but, by gosh and by gee, my men walked thru hot coals for me in combat, even if in the wrong direction.

2nd Lt.(Ret.,Cash.) Bob Brute
Nevada

Sir, I noticed that last week Gutendorf went to Suva to study New Zealand's team a week AFTER we had played them.

I think it was a good move as he must have been too busy watching the Soccerroos in Auckland to notice the Kiwis there.

He should make further trips to spy on the opposition.

Why not a trip to Brazil, Italy and Holland, in case we meet them in the World Cup final in 1982 in Madrid?

And why not to Germany? The one-way APEX fare now stands at \$520.

Freddie Lakker

Sir, I read in the papers that we managed to win 3-3 in Auckland which isn't too bad.

I hate pushing myself to the fore but I must, otherwise I may be the only registered player in the Southern Hemisphere not given his chance for the Soccerroos.

Presently I play for the South Pennant Hills Under-9s but I am big for my age and I am also growing a moustache.

Whatever Barnes can do I can do, too plus I don't comment on coaches, ever.

Timmy Cretinson
Pennant Hills (Sth.)

Sir, for the May 16 match in Sydney, I would like to be considered for the sweeper position.

For the past 31 years I have been employed by the Budgewoi Council Health Department sweeping streets, parks, picnic areas and beaches, wherever people congregate.

I sweep everything and everybody in my way and a few Kiwis won't even be noticed.

Kev Garbo
Gosford

Sir, Laudetur Jesus Kristus. I am writing this to offer spiritual guidance and help to the needy. Blessed are those who believe, especially after Auckland.

If I may be permitted to give some advice to your St.Soccerroos, it's this: Mr. Gutendorf, no doubt due to language difficulties, has been searching for the wrong solution.

It's not players that he needs but prayers: fervent and frequent to Him who hath not abandoned the poor and the infirm.

I think 11 prayers could do the trick on May 16 against New Zealand.

Meanwhile, Mr. Gutendorf should be a bit more choosy about the people he associates with.

He is well equipped to handle his enemies; it's his alleged friends that he must watch.

In eternum, amen.

Father O'Scar O'Leary
Vatican Rangers,
(Ex-Vatican City)

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— Andrew Dettre

CRISIS IN GERMANY

According to the weekly magazine "Stern", the West German Bundesliga is in a financial crisis.

The combined debt of the 18 first division and 42 second division clubs exceeds \$35 million.

The magazine surveyed 198 leading players to find out what has caused this slump, here are some of the views:

Fischer, Schalke: "We must accept the fact that the boom years are over."

Magath, Hamburg: "We, as professional players, must be partly blamed for the game's decline."

Dietz, Duisburg: "I admit that today's soccer gives me little pleasure."

Bonhof, Koln: "There is too much athletic contest and too little attractive play and spectators are sick of it."

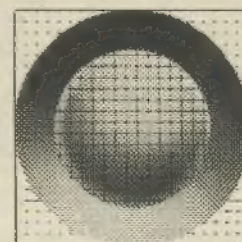
Neues, Kaiserslautern: "Most club officials have no idea about soccer yet they want to make a business out of it."

Hannes, Monchengladbach: "Many players demand far too much money considering their modest ability."

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